

Northampton Public Schools

Plan A (3 Tier K-5 1st)

3 Tier Bussing

Under this plan, we would keep a 3 tier bussing model, but the elementary (K-5) would be 1st then JFK and finally NHS could start at 8:30 am.

<u>PLAN A</u>	
K-5	7:30-1:30
JFK	8:00-2:30
NHS	9:00-3:15

Estimated cost for 3 tiered bussing model

9 Contracted Busses

7 Vans

3 NPS Buses

Estimated cost: \$1,245,288.40

*This model and cost estimated does not include preschool vans or out of district transportation costs

Pro and Cons with Plan A

This plan may affect elementary parents work schedule which would mean more than likely after school care. Families that rely on older siblings for after school care would have to find alternate arrangements. Our schools have the after school programing starting at \$16 to \$20 per day. There is a sliding pay scale for families on free and reduced lunch.

Bus drivers often have to stay longer at the K-5 schools or return back to school due to students missing the bus or kindergarten parents not at the bus stop. This can cause delays to the next school.

This plan would also have K-5 students out at the bus stops as early as 6:55 am. During winter months it would be dark and raise hazards due to not being able to see small children walking to school and bus stops.

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>1ST PICK UP TIME</u>	<u>DROP OFF TIME @ SCHOOL</u>	<u># OF BUSES</u>	<u># OF VANS</u>	<u>NPS BUSES</u>	<u>DISMISSAL</u>
ELEM K-5	7:30	6:50	7:10 TO 7:20	9	7	3	1:30
JFK	8:00	7:20	7:40 TO 7:50	9	6	3	2:30
NHS	8:30	7:50	8:15 TO 8:25	6	5	3	3:15

Plan A

3 tier

Durham 9 buses 3 tier x 180 days = 1680 x 504.12 = \$816674.40

Vanpool 7 vans 3 tier 7 x \$190.00 = 1260 x 180 \$226800.00

NPS \$211814.00

Total \$1,255,288.40